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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Major Part B. for August 92

SUBJECT

Date and Palmyra Plantation

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1. From Excise Commr 545/22 D) 19-7-92

Submits Copy of letter from Dy. Commr Kolar and Requests that an advance of Rs 200/- may be sanctioned for Collection & planting etc of date and palmyra seeds.

2. To Excise Commr 1733-34 / R 275-92 D) 28-7-92
Comptroller

Sanctions the advance of Rs 200/- for Collecting, planting etc of date seeds.

G. R. S. 58

3. From Excise Commr 863/44 2370/RF 103-92 D) 8-8-92

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To Excise Comm. 2370 2/13.8.42
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Records his letter submitting copy of instructions issued by him

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

REVENUE.

PROCEEDINGS.

Dated 12*th April* 1892.

No. 1019-29.
Cir. 4.

Issuing instructions for carrying into effect the new scheme for the administration of the Toddy Revenue.

Mysore Govt. Central Press, Bangalore.—21-4-92.—250.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Revenue),—dated 12th April 1892.

READ AGAIN:—

Proceedings Camp No. 323—33, dated 24th September 1891.

Proceedings No. 14237-46—Cir. 211, dated 14th March 1892.

No. 1019-29—CIR. 4, DATED BANGALORE, 12TH APRIL 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—In the first of the orders cited above, are fully detailed the circumstances under which it was decided to make a new departure in the system of Toddy Administration by substituting for the former method of selling the exclusive right of drawing and vending toddy *by Districts*, a system of selling that right by *shops* and *groves*. Two Special Officers, Mr. J. G. McDonnell and Mr. B. Gopalaiengar, were deputed to conduct these sales all over the Province and to help the Deputy Commissioners in settling the details of the arrangements required for the introduction of the new scheme by the 1st April 1892, when the contracts under the old system were to expire. The work which demanded considerable tact from the officers entrusted with it has, the Government are glad to note, been completed in proper time and in a manner generally satisfactory.

2. The financial results have been eminently satisfactory, the expected revenue for the current official year under the new scheme being Rs. 14,02,887—4—7, inclusive of Local Cess, against Rs. 9,74,063—14—4 under the contract which has just expired, showing an increase of Rs. 4,28,823—6—3.

3. Such marked success could not have been obtained for the new scheme, in the very first year of its introduction but for the active interest taken by the Deputy Commissioners of Districts, and under their guidance by Amildars (with four exceptions to be hereafter noted) and Deputy Amildars, who, by their energy and industry, contributed in no small measure to the satisfactory completion of the new settlement. Under such circumstances, His Highness the Maharaja is pleased to direct that his appreciation of the good work which has been done be communicated to Deputy Commissioners and to the two Special Officers above named, and, through the Deputy Commissioners, to the Amildars and Deputy Amildars concerned, except the marginally named four Amildars who appear to have failed to exert themselves, and regarding whose conduct the Deputy Commissioners will be requested to report in due course with their explanation.

(1) Venkat Rao, Amildar of Chintamani.
(2) Narsinga Rao, Amildar of Channagiri.
(3) Ramaswamaiya, Amildar of Malvalli.
(4) Solomon Leighton, Amildar of Hiriyur.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysor. (Revenue),—dated 12th April 1892.

4. The result of the settlement now made for each District is given in the following statement :—

Districts.	Present Revenue with Cess.	Government Shops.	Government Vanams.	Jaggery Ovens.	Total Government with Cess.	Inam Shops.	Inam Groves.	Total all Items with Cess.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BANGALORE ...	1,49,811 8 4	2,18,985 10 0	...	...	2,18,885 10 0	3,508 6 0	3,181 2 0	2,25,575 2 0
KOLAR ...	83,597 8 0	1,25,049 5 6	...	...	1,25,049 5 6	5,628 1 0	2,699 4 6	1,33,376 11 0
TUMKUR ...	1,54,062 8 0	2,22,920 9 8	...	2,838 0 0	2,25,758 9 8	6,630 8 6	1,322 4 6	2,33,711 6 8
HASSAN ...	76,021 14 0	1,06,935 5 0	...	...	1,06,935 5 0	1,989 0 0	643 7 0	1,09,577 12 0
SHIMOGA ...	22,429 6 0	38,743 0 0	...	...	38,743 0 0	318 12 0	167 14 0	39,229 10 0
KADUR ...	35,881 11 0	48,632 8 0	...	...	48,632 8 0	...	76 8 0	48,709 0 0
CHITALDROOG ...	1,48,856 4 0	1,80,815 3 8	...	5,087 4 0	1,85,902 7 8	1,429 1 0	...	1,87,331 8 8
MYSORE ...	3,03,402 3 0	3,78,162 10 0	17,121 9 0	...	3,95,304 3 0	18,819 9 0	11,252 6 3	4,25,376 2 3
TOTAL.....	9,74,063 14 4	13,20,164 3 10	17,121 9 0	7,925 4 0	13,45,211 0 10	38,323 5 6	19,352 14 3	14,02,887 4 7

The total revenue of Rs. 14,02,887—4—7, shown in the foregoing statement, is inclusive of the Toddy Revenue of Inam villages, which amount to Rs. 38,323—5—6, for shops, and Rs. 19,352—14—3, for groves. Total Rs. 57,676—3—9. The net revenue to Government is thus Rs. 13,45,211-0-10.

5. The detailed settlement made under the new scheme led necessarily to the investigation of the value of the Toddy Revenue of Inam villages. The results which have been obtained will enable the Government to dispose, in the most satisfactory manner possible, of the claims of Inamdars entitled to the Toddy Revenue under their sannads, and in the meantime there will be adopted the system of indicating in the accounts the Toddy Revenue of Inamdars separate and distinct from the Government revenue. The maximum amount which the Inamdars can possibly claim now is Rs. 57,676—3—9, as shown above, but it is liable to be reduced upon an investigation of Inamdars' claims, some of which may have to be rejected as not supported by sannads or recognized long enjoyment. The Deputy Commissioners should now very carefully inquire into these claims and submit a full report in each case for the orders of Government.

6. The new scheme will further improve the condition of the class of Idigars whose vocation is drawing toddy from date trees, and who by hereditary usage are interested in the conservancy of date groves, but who had been much neglected by the contractors under the old system.

7. The ready realization of the increased revenue according to the new settlement and indeed its smooth and satisfactory working depend upon the interest which Local Revenue officers continue to take in the matter. The Government accordingly resolve to leave to Deputy Commissioners the practical working of the settlement now completed. The Deputy Commissioners should impress upon their Amildars to regard the administration of the Toddy Revenue as an important part of their duty.

8. It must be a first axiom in the working of the new settlement that no farmer shall, without the previous express consent of the Deputy Commissioner, in any way, disturb the arrangement made as regards the grouping of shops and assignment of vanams. It is understood that in a good many cases, where a grove or vanam used to supply toddy to several shops, the new settlement allows the farmer of each shop to resort to the *mamul* portion of the grove from which his shop used to draw its supply during the past contract. In such cases, if any disputes arise, they should be promptly dealt with to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.

9. In order to prevent the possibility of such disputes occurring hereafter and generally to facilitate the future Toddy administration, it is necessary that every grove required for the purpose of the Toddy Revenue should be carefully surveyed, and divided into a number of blocks sufficient for the convenient administration of the Toddy Revenue. Such blocks should be distinctly demarcated and the demarcation accurately shown upon village maps. The number of bearing trees in each block should be ascertained and recorded in such maps. A separate set of these maps should be maintained in each Taluk. The Survey Superintendent will be requested to depute for the early execution of this work under the Deputy Commissioners' orders, the number of Measurers required for this work in each District. Mr. McDonnell will, from information already in his possession, submit at once for the information of the Survey Superintendent, a list as complete as possible of the number of groves which have to be surveyed in each District. It is estimated that over 40 Measurers will be required for all the Districts, but this is a point which must be left for decision in the Survey Department. Should it be not possible to depute the full required number of Measurers at once for this duty, the Survey Superintendent, need, at present, only send out such smaller number as may be feasible, arranging, however, the

programme of work in a way likely to ensure its completion at as early a date as possible. A report of the Survey Superintendent's proposals will be awaited.

10. For the success of the Toddy administration, the special attention of the Deputy Commissioner is necessary to the following points, namely:—

(*a*) The due conservancy of existing vanams, including the prevention of the tapping of immature trees, the improper tapping by unskilled men, the injurious removal of leaves by rope and mat makers, &c.

(*b*) The prevention of theft of toddy from the trees, and the illicit drawing or sale of toddy, and

(*c*) The planting of new areas where necessary.

11. Toddy collections should be daily received as paid in any Taluk or District Treasury, and separate demand, collection and balance accounts should be kept as regards each farmer.

12. For the performance of all duties indicated in para 10, the services of the ordinary Land Revenue establishment should be utilized to the fullest extent possible, and the Government accordingly resolve to issue the following instructions on the subject:—

(*a*) In villages where vanams exist and have to be conserved, and theft or illicit drawing of toddy has to be prevented, the village servant (Toti, Talari or Kulvadi) must be employed for the purpose, under the orders of the Patel, and he should be paid for such work a remuneration of, say, Rs. 10 or 12 a year.

(*b*) The Toddy Revenue shall be collected by the Patel assisted by the Shanbhog. The Patel shall in addition be responsible himself to see that every shop and every vanam within his village is properly managed, that no theft or illicit drawing of toddy takes place, that the transport of toddy is made under proper authority and that no breach of the Excise Law is committed. The Shanbhog shall, in addition to helping the Patel in the duties above described, keep such registers as may be prescribed regarding the quantities of toddy drawn, consumed or transported. For the additional work as above, the Patel and Shanbhog will be remunerated by means of a small percentage on the annual collections in addition to their present remuneration from the Land Revenue.

(*c*) Above the Patel and Shanbhog there should be an officer called Abkari Inspector, corresponding in position to the Shekdar. In Taluks where the Toddy Revenue is light (as in the Malnad) the duties of Abkari Inspector shall devolve upon the Shekdars. But in other Taluks, a separate Abkari Inspector shall be appointed, two such officers being given to exceptionally heavy Taluks. For these appointments the best men possible should be selected as a rule from Abkari Amins who have had experience of the work under the former contract system, and who possess a good character. Where such men may not be available, the most qualified Shekdars should be selected for these posts. As much of the success of the Toddy administration in a Taluk will depend upon the ability and integrity of this class of officials, the Deputy Commissioner should give his personal attention to their selection. The salary given to the Abkari Inspector may for the present be Rs. 20 per mensem and the horse allowance of Rs. 10 per mensem. He should be directly subordinate to the Amildar or the Deputy Amildar.

the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue),—dated 12th April 1892.

whole responsibility of the Toddy administration within the Taluk or Sub-Taluk should rest upon the Amildar or the Deputy Amildar, as the case may be.

It is believed that with the work distributed as described in the para, the Deputy Commissioner will be able to deal with this branch of ss in the most prompt and satisfactory manner possible. He is re- to issue at once for the guidance of Amildars and the village officers lage servants concerned the necessary detailed instructions to bring into ate operation the scheme of distribution of duties as described in the ng para, appointing (in anticipation of the sanction of Government to iled proposals for his District) such Abkari Inspectors as in his opinion olutely required for the various Taluks in his District. Having thus ral, 3rd for the practical working of the scheme in his District, he should lose no time in submitting for the sanction of Government, definite proposals, which should specifically state—

1*st*, the number of village servants in each Taluk who should be specially employed on Toddy duty and the remuneration to be paid to them;

2*ndly*, the number of villages, the Patels of which will have Toddy work and the remuneration he would recommend for them;

3*rdly* the number of Shanbhogs who can with advantage be employed on Toddy work and the remuneration he would recommend for them; and

4*thly* the number of Abkari Inspectors required for his District and the salaries and horse allowances he would propose for them.

The Deputy Commissioner should, at the same time, submit for the consideration of the Government any further suggestions he may wish to put forward for the better working of the new toddy system.

14. As regards help to the Deputy Commissioner, the Government think that it will be most convenient if, as in the North-Western Provinces (see appended Extract of paragraph 7 of the revised rules) the Excise Department of the District (including Toddy, Arrack and all other items of Excise Revenue) be primarily in the charge of one of his ordinary Assistant Commissioners. The work will be so slight as to permit of one of the present staff of Assistant Commissioners undertaking it in addition to his present duties. The Assistant Commissioner selected for it may, for a short time, say 6 months or so, be associated with the Excise Assistant Commissioner so as to enable him the more readily to become acquainted with the details of the work. Under the immediate orders of the Assistant Commissioner in special charge of Excise work of the District, there may be a Daroga whose salary will be according to the extent of the Excise work of the District. A Gumasta may be given to each District Treasury to compile the collections for the entire District and submit the same for the Assistant Commissioner's orders.

15. The Deputy Commissioners are invited to submit at an early date their opinions on the suggestions contained in the last preceding para, and, pending final orders thereupon and in order to meet the immediate requirements of the Toddy work, the two Special Officers employed upon the Toddy settlement will be directed to place themselves under the Deputy Commissioner's orders, and where necessary a Daroga and Gumasta on the marginally noted scale will be allowed for each District. The Special Officers (whose employment under these orders will be only for the short period of a few months, till the ordinary District establishment is able effici-

Daroga on pay from Rs. 30 to 40, according to qualifications, with a horse allowance of Rs. 15 per mensem.

Gumasta on pay Rs. 15 per mensem.

(General Serial No. 30.)

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From The Excise Commissioner in Bangalore.

SECTION Sep. Cir

FILE No. 103 of 1892-93

To

SERIAL No. / The Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore.

Dated 17th July 1892.

Despatched 20

Received

Enclosures No. one

General No. 545

No. 22

In reply to

SUBJECT.

Submits copy of docket No: 182/118, dated 17th July 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar, and requests that an advance of Rs 200 may be sanctioned for the collection, planting &c of date and Jalmyra seeds in suitable localities.

Rev

References (to be entered only in the Dewan's Office).

Submitted for orders.

Mysore 20/7/92

attention is respectfully invited to clause c Land 10 of Govt. Pro: No 1019-29 dy 12th April 92.

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W.D. 23/7

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The localities selected should be reported for the approval of Govt.

Measures will be taken to issue instructions for the economical expenditure of the amount sanctioned & for successful planting operations. A copy of these instructions should be sent for the approval of Govt.

W.D. 26/7

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21.7.92

No: 545/22
(Encl: 1)

Excise Commissioner's Office
in Mysore, Bangalore,
dated 19th July 1892.
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From

The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

To

The Chief Secretary
to the Dewan of Mysore.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith copy of docket No: 182/118, dated 17th July 1892, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, I have the honor to request that an advance of Rupees 200 may be sanctioned for the collection, carting, planting &c of date and palmyra seeds in suitable localities, as proposed by the Deputy Commissioner.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

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Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

(General Serial No. 30.)

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From The Deputy Commissioner
Kolar District.

To The Excise Commissioner
~~The Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore~~ in Mysore

Dated 17th
Despatched 18th } July 1892.
Received

Enclosures No. Nil

General No. 182
No. 118

Has the honor to state that Kolar District is almost destitute of good toddy topes owing to which the Toddy Revenue is affected. It is therefore proposed to open some plantations in localities selected for the purpose. The undersigned therefore request that Rs 200 may be early sanctioned for the Collection, carting, planting &c of date and palmyrah seeds.

(Signed) C. Gradish
Deputy Comm.r

"Copy"

for Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

(General Serial No. 30.)

1892.

From

The Chief Secretary
to the Dewan of Mysore.

To

The Excise Commr &
" Comptr.

Dated 28th July/92

Despatched

Received

SECTION L.D.

FILE No. 123 L-91-93

SERIAL No. 2

Enclosures No.

General No. 1733-34
No. R.275-92

Sanctioning an advance of Rs. 200/- for the collection, planting &c., of date and palmyra seeds in suitable localities in the Kolar Dist

References to be marked.

No. 1733-34 / R 275-92 D/ 28-7-92 / 3-8.

Read: —

Letter no 545/22 of the 19th July 1892 from the Excise Commissioner, submitting Copy of Kolar Dy Comm's docket no 182/118 of the 17th Idem — requesting sanction to an advance of Rs 200 for the collection, planting &c of date and palmyra seed in suitable localities in the District and recommending that the advance applied for may be sanction

2. Govt Proc no 1019-29/ dtd 4 Apr 1892, para 10 clause (C).

Order thereon: ——

As recommended by the Excise Commissioner, the advance applied for by the Dy Comm'r, Kolar District, is sanctioned.

2. The Excise Commr will be requested to subm for the information of Govt, a report showing the localities selected for purposes of date and palm plantations, and to issue instructions for the —

conomical Expenditure of
the amounts sanctioned
and for successful planting
perations, submitting for
the information of Govt
a Copy of these instructions.
issued by him.

Draft

28/July/2

Chief Secretary.

To
The Excise Commr
in Mysore
" The Comptroller in
Mysore.

(General Serial No. 30.)

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From

The Chief Secretary
to the Govt of Mysore.

To

Dated

Despatched

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Enclosures No.

General No.
No.

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DEWAN OF MYSORE

From The Excise Commissioner in Mysore (4)

SECTION C

FILE No. To 1892-93

SERIAL No. 3

The Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore.

Dated 8th August 1892

Despatched 9

Received

Enclosures No. 1

General No. 863

No. 44

~~In reply to~~

SUBJECT.

Forwards Copy of instructions issued to the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, for forming date and palmyra plantations in his District.

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Submitted for information - May be recorded.

Yes Sprunter 10/8 Mrk 9/8/92

References (to be entered only in the Dewan's Office).

Draft A.D. 10/8

No. 863/44
(Encls: 1.-)

Excise Commissioner's Office
Bangalore, dated 8th August 1892

(4)

From
The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

To
The Chief Secretary to the Dewan
of Mysore

Sir,

In reply to Government Proceedings No. 1733-4/275-92, dated 3rd August 1892, I have the honor to forward herewith, for information, copy of instructions issued to the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, for forming date and palmyra plantations in his District.

2. A report shewing the localities selected for the purpose, will be submitted on receipt from the Deputy Commissioner.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

KJ

Excise Commissioner's Office
Bangalore, dated 6th August
1892

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From
The Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

To
The Deputy Commissioner
Kolar District.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith, for information and guidance, copy of Government c Proceedings No. 1733-4 / 275-92, dated 3rd August 189 I have the honor to request that a report, shewing the localities selected for purposes of date and palmyra plantations, may be submitted to this Office early for communication to Government.

2. Date and palmyra trees do not require rich soil. They grow well in sandy soil having a clay bottom, such as would c retain moisture for a lengthened dry c season. If they be raised in hard pad soil, they would get stunted.

3. In Government waste lands a trac

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of not less than thirty acres of suitable soil should be selected and demarcated for each plantation, a trench of 2 feet in width by 2 feet in depth, being dug all round it. To protect the plantation from cattle grazing, aloes should be planted on the ridge all round the trench, or some other hedge should be provided. This is very essential, as neither date nor palmyra plants would thrive, if they be allowed to be grazed or trodden upon by cattle.

4. No pits are required for date seeds. The land should be well ploughed up, and date seeds thrown into furrows 12 feet apart covered over with earth. But for palmyra seeds, pits of 2' x 2' x 2' should be dug 12 feet apart. In each pit one mature seed should be set covered over with earth. Both date and palmyra seeds should be sown during the rainy season. They require no watering.

5. The Government expect you to see that the amount sanctioned, Viz Rs. 200, is economically expended, and that the planting operations are successfully

carried

carried out.

6. It is requested that a progress report of the work done and money expended, may be sent to this Office monthly.

I have &c.

/Signed/ L. Ricketts

Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

"Copy"

L. Ricketts

Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

KJ

(5)

Read.

Letter no 863 dated the 8th Instant, from the Excise Commissioner in Mysore, Submitting ~~forwarding~~ for information Copy of instructions issued by him to the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, for forming ~~and~~ palmyra plantations in his District, ~~and asking for a report of the localities to be selected for the purpose~~.

It is not necessary to print this in extenso.

No 2370 / R.T. 103 92

SECTION SR.
FILE No. 1030-92-93
SER'AL No. 4

Order thereon :—

Recorded

13/11

Chief Secretary

To the Excise Commr in Mysore.

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1892.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

REVENUE.

PROCEEDINGS.

Dated 13th August 1892.

No. 2370.
R. F. 103-92.

Recording Excise Commissioner's letter, submitting copy of instructions issued for forming Date and Palmyra plantations in the Kolar District.

Mysore Govt. C. Press, Bangalore.—17-8-92.—120.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Revenue),—dated 13th August 1892.

READ :—

Letter No. 893, dated the 8th instant, from the Excise Commissioner in Mysore, submitting for information copy of instructions issued by him to the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, for forming Date and Palmyra plantations in his District.

No. 2379—R. F. 103-92, DATED, BANGALORE, 13TH AUGUST 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded.

T. ANANDA ROW,
Chief Secretary.

To—The Excise Commissioner in Mysore. I with 38 Spare Copies.
37 Copies for him

Exd.—B.G.R.